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Charlestown July 31st 1782

Sir, Your Honor doubtless remembers I stand recognised to appear before the Superior Court to be holden at Exeter in Sept^r next for accepting an Office under the Authority of Vermont. I wish to be discharged from the trial and beg your Honor to lay the matter before the Committee of Safety and take their opinion on the subject. Should they judge I ought to be held to Trial I pray for the liberty of Trial in this County for which I should have apply'd to the Assembly at their last sessions had I not been confident that as the Jurisdiction was given up by Vermont and the people returned to New Hampshire the Assembly would have pass'd an Act of indemnity or at least repealed that Act that subjects persons here to trial in any County in the State. Should the Committee not grant my request I wish the matter might be postponed if it can be done without my appearing & I not forfeit my Bonds until I have time to lay it before the Assembly. ^{Why} I should be subject to a trial in a case where many others under like circumstances are taken no notice of cannot conceive. I pray for an answer by Col. Hunt.

And am Sir, Your Honors

Hon^{ble} Meshech Weare Esq^r Most Obedt Servant
 President of Com^{tee} of Safety N^h Hampshire } William Pace

Newbury May 31st 1782

At a legal meeting of said Town on said day being a full meeting, voted, to be under the Government of the State of New Hampshire, at the same time chose Gideon Smith to meet a Convention of Members from Towns who should be of our opinion at Shreadford in order to make application to s^d State of New Hampshire — but two men voted in the negative, who were William Hollis and Levi Silvester

Jacob Kent, Town clerk.

Newbury November 7th 1782

Whereas application was made to the State of New Hampshire, at their Sessions at Concord in June last, by Mr Curtis Agent for five Towns and encouragement given for jurisdiction and protection and we are ~~aware~~ sensible that protection has been afforded from S^d State for which we return S^d State thanks in the name of this Town and now desire S^d State would extend Jurisdiction over S^d Town in its full extent, as it is the desire of the Town in general

Your Humble Servants

Selw^d Heath
Joshua Bayley
Ezr^d Bayley } Selectmen
Newbury

P.S. The vote of Newbury the 31st of May last, is enclosed -

The Hon^{ble} ~~the~~ President, Council and House of Representatives of the State of New Hampshire

Philadelphia Dec^r 11th 1782

Sir,

On the 9th inst. we were Honored with your letter of the 26th ultimo. inclosing a Representation from Mr Blenchard in behalf of the New Hampshire Line and the report of a Committee thereon — The subject of a settlement with the Army for Pay, Depreciation & retained rations is now under consideration. The substance of the report is that settlement should be immediately made by the United States up to the last day of December 1781. The propriety of this measure and the impropriety of such settlements being made by the States individually is much urged; We shall endeavour to have this matter determined as soon as possible, and (for sundry reasons) are induced to urge that settlements should be made by the States individually up to the last day of Decr 1781.

You have inclosed sundry resolutions passed the 5th inst. respecting the affairs of Vermont; a Resolution is now under consideration for assigning a day when Congress will make their final determination respecting that Territory. This we endeavoured to have determined.

season to be transmitted by this Post, but it has met with such obstructions as has hitherto prevented, it will probably be done in a few days - As the final determination of this matter is of very great importance to us here to repeat the request, that the Honorable the Legislature would be pleased to give their explicit instructions on the Subject. They will undoubtedly examine the Act of November 1779 and other resolutions and instructions now in force, on this subject. It is probable the first question will be whether they shall be a separate State; if this should be determined in the negative we should then wish to know whether the Honorable the Legislature would desire to have the matter determined in the mode prescribed by the Ninth Article of Confederation, or attempt an agreement and accommodation respecting the same with New York & Massachusetts

We have frequently heard while in the State that this affair might be easily settled, but although much has been done by the State to obtain a settlement, Special Agents have been appointed for the purpose, and it is now more than three years since the act passed submitting the affair to Congress

still it remains unsettled and is greatly embarrassed.

Enclosed is an extract of a letter from Genl. Green to the Secretary at War respecting the evacuation of Charlestown.

Three members of Congress viz Mr Cogswell of Massachusetts Genl. Mifflin of Pennsylvania & Mr Bash of North Carolina are appointed to go to the State of Rhode Island on the subject of the five per cent Impost, to lay before them a state of facts and to represent the necessity of their compliance

As we consider it a matter worthy of the first consideration of the Honorable the Legislature that the State should be constantly represented in Congress and as we wish to return to the State the beginning of April next, Hope Delegates will be seasonably appointed to relieve us at that time. In the interim shall be in want of some money to pay expences which hope will be seasonably furnished

We have the Honor to be
Your Most obedt Servts
D White

John Gayton Gilman

Hon^{ble} Meshech Weare, Esquire; 1811